

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract as follows.

A control circuit for control of a media heating device (~~12, 22~~) of a dental handpiece (~~1~~) has a heating current circuit (~~20~~) in which there is arranged a switch (~~S1, S2~~), which can be actuated by hand, for the activation of the heating device (~~12, 22~~). In order to be able to purposively deactivate the heating device (~~12, 22~~), a further controllable switch element (~~V1, V2~~) is arranged in the heating current circuit (~~20~~), which switch element can be set in dependence upon an external control signal (~~VCC, V_{en}~~) into a conducting or non-conducting condition.

[~~Fig. 1~~]